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Sir:

Please amend the accompanying verified translation of the German language text of PCT/EP2004/051251, filed June 25, 2004; published as WO 2005/003009 A1 on January 13, 2005, and claiming priority to DE 103 29 672.7, filed July 2, 2003, the verified translation forming the entire specification and claims of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, prior to an examination of the application on the merits, and prior to the calculation of the filing fee, as follows.